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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, IT, US

SUBJECT: MORO KIDNAPPING

1. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT WE ARE ALL VERY AWARE THAT THIS IS A DIFFICULT PERIOD FOR YOU, YOUR STAFF AND YOUR FAMILIES. OUR THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU, AND IF THERE ARE ANY PARTICULAR PROBLEMS THAT WE CAN HELP WITH, I HOPE YOU WILL LET ME KNOW.

2. AS YOU HAVE SEEN FROM THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE AND THE SECRETARY'S STATEMENT, WE ALSO HAVE THE GREATEST SYMPATHY FOR THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT IN ITS TRAGIC DILEMMA. UNFORTUNATELY, OUR ABILITY TO HELP IN SITUATIONS LIKE THE MORO KIDNAPPING IS ALMOST NIL. IF YOU RECEIVE ANY REQUESTS FOR AID, WE SHALL LOOK SYMPATHETICALLY AT THEM, BUT WE DO NOT WANT TO ENCOURAGE ANY THOUGHTS THAT THERE

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